

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the December 9, 2009 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-captioned patent application. In the Office Action, claims 1-3, 5, 6 and 21-32 have been rejected. Claims 33-34 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to include the features of allowable dependent claim 33. Claim 34 has been amended to depend from claim 1. Claims 3, 4, 7-20, 23, 24 and 30-33 have been cancelled.

The pending claims are independent amended claim 1, with claims 2, 5-6, 21-22, 25-29 and 34 depending therefrom. No new matter has been added. Because of the allowability of claims 33-34, and the foregoing amendments, it is believed that the application is now in condition for immediate allowance.

It is believed that no fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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